Canyon Inn Conference Center

The Canyon Inn was originally built as a Sanitarium. Through several renovations, it now provides 75 guest rooms, two meeting rooms, the Inn Dining room, a gift shop, several lounge areas and a game room. All rooms assigned to **Road Scholar** participants have two queen size beds and private baths. The same rooms are available as singles at an extra fee. There are also many cozy spots to enjoy quiet reading and conversation.

An elevator, ramp, and a limited number of handicapped-accessible rooms provide all individuals with facilities to enjoy **Road Scholar** programs at Canyon Inn. Special needs and special diets are available upon request at the time of registration.

McCormick's Creek State Park

McCormick's Creek State Park is the oldest state park in Indiana, dedicated on July 4, 1916, as part of the state's centennial celebration. The park was named after the area's first settler, John McCormick. Previously, the land was hunted by Miami Indians. The park area contains 1,924 acres.

Location: It is located 17 miles west of Bloomington, Indiana and just east of Spencer on State Road 46 in Owen County, Indiana..



Canyon Inn McCormick's Creek State Park

What is Road Scholar?

Elderhostel, Inc., the not-for-profit world leader in lifelong learning since 1975, is the creator of Road Scholar educational programs.

Through the **Road Scholar** programs, you are a guest and student of your host institution for up to five days. Three or more non-credit courses are offered on a variety of Liberal Arts topics. The courses, designed especially for **Road Scholar** participants, are challenging and thought provoking, yet require no prior knowledge or formal training in the subject. There is no homework, nor are there exams or grades.

You will share your experience with 50 or more classmates, who, like you, are interesting, lively people from all walks of life.

For more information and to register call Road Scholar toll free at (877) 426-8056 Monday through Friday, 9 am to 6 pm, E.T. or register at www.roadscholar.org Hearing-impaired participants with TTY equipment Toll free: (877) 426-2167

Fee for the entire Road Scholar Program at Canyon Inn – all meals and lodging and all activities for five days and nights: \$599.00 Single occupancy: Additional \$157.83

Apr 29, 2012 to May 4, 2012 Sunday dinner through Friday lunch Program #20243

For more information call or email:

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"Hoosier Musicmakers"

with Mike Patterson, the Castlewood Chamber Singers, Ron Berry and Adrienne Provenzano

"Wildflowers and Photography"

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"Canals – from the Atlantic
to the Mississippi"
with Dr. Randall Buchman

Hoosier Musicmakers ... Mike Patterson, Ron Berry, Adrienne Provenzano, and the Castlewood Chamber Singers

Explore the works of Indiana composers and performers, who had or are having successful careers in music. An overview of the Musicmakers will be presented by Mike Patterson on Monday evening.

The Castlewood Chamber Singers will present a concert on Tuesday evening highlighting the music of Cole Porter and Hoagy Carmichael.

Learn about the Indiana made pianos from Ron Berry, Piano Tuner, Extraordinaire.

Adrienne Provenzano will lead us through Indiana Ragtime and she and Mike will lead the Road Scholar participants in a Sing-along.



Does your family have a song? You will be challenged to write the words for a song for your family to a familiar tune of your choice. It's easier than you think! "Just start at the very beginning" of your life or married life.

As an illustration, join in singing Mike's new "Road Scholar at McCormick's Creek" song to the tune of "Take me out to the Ballgame" – with apologies to the Von Tilzers.

"Take me out to McCormick's Creek
The Road Scholar Program is there
Show me wild flowers and trees and things
It's amazing the pleasure it brings
And it's photographing and scrapbooks
A way to bring mem'ries to mind
If it's music, canals or the wonder of life
Come and join us and see what you find."

Canals from the Atlantic to the Mississippi ...Dr. Randall Buchman



Randy Buchman is an author and professor emeritus at Defiance College, Defiance, Ohio. He is a recognized authority of Native American history. He has presented eight different topics of History in the past eight years at Potawatomi Inn Road Scholar programs. Many of the participants come back every year because of his presentations.

He will lead us through the planning and building of the Canal system – from the Atlantic to the Mississippi River.

The History will be divided into three different classes scheduled throughout the week:

"The Erie Canal"
"The Ohio Era"

The Miami Canal

"The Ocean comes to Indiana"

The Extension of the Miami Erie Canal



Wildflowers and Photography ...Lou Feagans, Bill Brenneman, and Connie Feagans

Wildflower identification including those plants native to Indiana with Bill Brenneman, author of "50 Wild Plants everyone should know." He is also a plant specialist and will tell about the medicinal uses of wild plants.

Lou Feagans and Bill Brenneman will present a brief overview of digital cameras and digital photography – the advantages of digital cameras and what to look for when purchasing one.

There will be time for guided hikes in the park for photographing the Wildflowers. The best lighting and angles and time of day will be discussed.

Connie Feagans will show how to put your photos into the latest Digital Scrapbook and how to make greeting cards with your favorite photos.



Hobbies Share a favorite Hobby ...All Road Scholar Classmates

What hobby do you "indulge" in that might be a little unusual or different. Each Road Scholar participant will have three minutes to tell about his or her favorite hobby. Bring any item that will enhance your presentation. This may be a hobby or a volunteer project. Time restriction – three minute each.

A Road Scholar Program

(Formerly known as Elderstel Programs)